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MISS EDITH MORRILL was held up
in the broad light of day in St. Louis
last Thursday and robbed of her pocket-
book containing \$2 and a check for
\$50. She was walking on the street
in an aristocratic neighborhood a short
distance from her home. When she
reached an alley the robber sprang at
her and seizing the purse made off
with it. She said it was done so quick-
ly she could not tell whether the thief
was a white man or a negro.

Notes from a Menagerie Man.

From the Philadelphia Record.

The elephant is almost as amphi-
bious as the hippopotamus.

Johanna, the giantess gorilla, is in-
sane jealous. She could kill a dozen
unarmed men.

The giraffe is dumb and was never
known to utter any sound.

The rhinoceros is the most formi-
dable and pugnacious of all wild beasts.

The parrot is but one among many
species of birds that can be taught to
speak.

The hog is a very sagacious beast.

No constricting snake is poisonous.

America is the only country in
which a baby elephant was ever born
in captivity.

The leopard is the most meanly
treacherous of all beasts, and the train-
er never turns his back on one if he
can avoid it.

Panthers when taken young make
very docile and affectionate pets.

The lions of Mount Atlas are far the
largest of their species and capable of
enduring extreme cold, frequently
traveling long distances through deep
snow.

When lions and tigers bring forth
young in captivity the greatest care
has to be exercised to keep them for
several days in the dark and undis-
turbed, as otherwise the mothers will
almost invariably destroy their cubs.

With a single blow of his insignifi-
cant tail an elephant can knock out the
strongest man.

The dog is the most intelligent of
all animals.

The smallest mouse will cause the
biggest elephant to quake with fear.

The wolf is more cunning than the
fox.

Lions born in captivity are more
dangerous and harder to train than
captured ones.

One baby elephant will toss a
whole herd of big ones.

A snake would starve to death rather
than eat anything except living
prey.

Some species of snakes are born
cannibals.

Elephants form the strongest attach-
ments for the horses and dogs with
which they are associated.

All animals are quick to recognize
fear or ill-temper on the part of their
keeper.

The white clover is rank poison to
the hippopotamus.

The hippopotamus can be acclimat-
ed to live in very cold water.

Don't trust to the fallacy that wild
beasts can be controlled by the human
eye.

Wild beasts vary in their moods.
They often get the blues, at which
time the keepers give them a wide
berth.

The polar bear is untamable. He
is also partial to a sun bath.

The elephant can push many times
more than it can pull.

Some elephants are exceedingly
fond of plug tobacco and bad whisky.

The gardener should remember
that harmless snakes are expert and
voracious bug catchers.

Reflections of a Bachelor.

A girl would rather admit she was
27 than admit that she snored.

There is no marriage in heaven.
The angels know better.

Most women seem to forget that
distinction is a good deal beyond style.

Just because a man blushes at a
little thing in public is no sign that he
won't do big things he ought to blush
for other times.

A girl who sits and waits for a man
to propose feels about the same as she
would if she sat down and watched a
rat hole.

When a man falls in love with a
woman it takes him a good deal longer
to admit it to himself than it does
to admit it to her.

Why Is It?

That you tell an utter stranger
facts that you wouldn't whisper to your
dearest friends?

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Stubborn Facts.

From Cincinnati Enquirer.

There can be no disputing the fact
that a very large majority of the voters
in the United States are in favor of
the coinage of silver at the old ratio of
16 to 1. No one can believe that the
immense majorities given to the Re-
publican candidate in New York,
Pennsylvania and Massachusetts are
in favor of the single gold standard.
They are too loyal to their country to
favor the financial policy of England
and deliberately reject that of the
United States. An examination of the
election returns will show that too
much reliance was placed by the Dem-
ocrats upon the farmer vote. It did
not materialize on election day. Many
were led to believe that if McKinley
was elected he would stand by his oft-
repeated declaration in favor of the
free coinage of silver and would op-
pose the single gold standard, that
there was no occasion therefore to
sever the bonds which held them to
the grand old party. They believed,
and believe now, that McKinley will be
true to his past record. He spoke
and voted in Congress in favor of the
full restoration of silver to its com-
pensation with gold, and insisted upon
preserving the silver dollar as a money
of redemption equally with gold. The
gold bugs accepted him because they
knew they must practice some decep-
tion to get the suffrages of the masses,
and that, having won the prize, they
would be able to model him as "clay
in the hands of the potter."

Six months ago such was the utter
demoralization of the Democratic party
that scarcely a Democrat could be
found who did not concede that the
Republican party would have a walk-
over at the November election. There
was no organization, no old and trust-
ed leaders. The Democrats had been
betrayed by Cleveland and his cabinet.
Instead of being like good shepherds,
they were like ravenous wolves, driving
them from the fold to be gathered into
the ranks of their old enemy.

The Democracy was in a deplora-
ble and pitiable condition. They cried
out as despairing men of old "Who
will show us any good?" In the hour
of their deepest distress the voice of a
mere boy from the Far West cried out:
"Here am I; send me!" As if com-
missioned by an Almighty power he
went forth "without purse or scrip,"
gathering up the scattered millions.
His voice, like the sound of a trumpet,
was heard by the multitude. The re-
sult shows that the people have not
yet suffered enough to enjoy the prom-
ised deliverance from the cruel bond-
age of the money power.

They must experience Gethsemane's
agony four years longer. Every man
who looked calmly at the situation was
disappointed at the result; none so
much as those who talked about the
"silver craze" and denounced the ad-
vocates of silver coinage as dishonest
vagabonds who were intent upon
cheating their creditors by paying them
with dishonest money. If the silverites
are communists, anarchists, socialists
nihilists, the gold worshipers will find
there are too many of them to trifle
with. They have now learned that
but for bribery, intimidation and all
other conceivable dishonest methods
Bryan would be inaugurated president
instead of McKinley on the 4th of
March. Time's rapid flight will soon
bring the dawning of other and better
days.

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She "Parsed" Butter.

Among the guests of an Eastern
mountain resort, where the waiters are
all Massachusetts school ma'ams, was a
Texas man who was noted for gram-
matical accuracy in speaking. One day
he said to a waiter: "Will ye pars the
butter?" "Butter," said the school
ma'm, "is a noun; common noun, be-
cause it is the name of a thing and a
very poor thing, too, sometimes; sin-
gular number, when strong enough to
go alone; feminine gender as indicated
by the long hairs often found in it,
and judging from the objections raised
by boards to eat it, in the objective
case, subject to oleomargarine under-
stood." The Texas man said he
guessed he'd try to get along without
butter if that was what ailed it.

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HON. FRANK P. ARBUCKLE, a mil-
lionaire of Denver, was found
dying on Eighth avenue in New York
last Thursday, supposed to have been
lured to the spot, robbed and killed.
Detectives were put to work on the
case, and three men have since been
arrested, one of whom was a noted
gambler, who had Arbuckle's card in
his pocket. Later developments sat-
isfied the police that he died from
heart failure, superinduced by too
much whisky.

HARRY SHERWOOD, son of Judge
Sherwood, of the Supreme court, shot
himself through the heart at his home
in St. Louis, last Friday evening. He
was 33 years old and had been in poor
health for some time. He leaves a
wife and one child. His brother said
that the shooting was accidental.
Others say he was worrying over some
business trouble, which in connection
with bad health led him to commit
suicide.

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WILLIAM LYNN, colored, refused to
pay for a drink in Gerhardt's saloon
at Webster Grove, St. Louis county,
when Gerhardt undertook to eject him
from the saloon, whereupon Lynn
carved Gerhardt with a huge knife
across the face and hip, severing an
artery in the last named place which
caused Gerhardt to bleed nearly to
death before a doctor could reach him.
Lynn is under arrest.

MR. AUGUSTUS J. C. HARE, in his
recent book, tells a good story of
Father Healy, who was breakfasting
with Gladstone recently. Mr. Glad-
stone said to him: "Father Healy, I
went to a church in Rome once, and
was offered a plenary indulgence for
fifty francs; on what principle does
your church grant such things?"
Father Healy replied: "Well, Mr.
Gladstone, I don't want to go into
theology with you, but all I can say is
that if my church offered you a plenary
indulgence for fifty francs, she let you
off very cheap."

You can sometimes tell how
well a man knows Christ by the way
he treats his horse.

It is not what we have, but what we
do with what we have, that proves our
fitness for promotion.

Have You Examined

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A Georgia Election Story.

One election story is that an itiner-
ant Georgia preacher, who had one
horse and a large family, was so confi-
dent of Bryan's election that he said
to one of the members of his congre-
gation:
"I don't bet, an' I ain't a goin' ter
bet; but if anybody would jest make
believe that they wagged a hoss ag'in
that air creetur o' mine that Bryan
won't be elected, an' then keep their
counsel about it, it would be all right
with me, an' I'd jest consider—be-
tween me an' him—that my hoss wuz
staked ag'in his."

"All right, brother," said the mem-
ber, "we'll jest look at it in that light,
an' if McKinley is elected I'll have
two hosses an' you none."

It was "a go," but the following
Sunday the congregation was amazed
to see the preacher tramping to town,
when he arrived, way-worn and mud
bespattered, and mounting the plat-
form straightway began preaching
against the evils of betting.

"Yes," he cried, "there are men in
this here congregation so lost to right
an' jestice that they would bet ag'in
the one hoss of a poor man, take it
from him, an' make him walk ter
glory fer the balance of his days! If
such a man is in the hearin' o' my
voice to-day, let him tremble! He
can't take that election hoss to heaven
with him. If he could ride it plum in-
to the peary gates, the Angel Gabriel
would holler, 'Whoa!' an' while the
tremblin' wretch dismounted, he would
hear these words, like the knell o'
doom: 'Whar did you get that hoss?'"

After the sermon and the benedic-
tion some one took the parson by the
arm and led him out into the grove,
and handed him a bridle (and there
was a horse connected with it) and
said:

"Here's yer darned old hoss! Pray
fer me on yer way home!"

What sick man would send for a
doctor, who has gone no deeper into
medical books than some preachers
have into the Bible?

The man who spends his time in
counting hypocrites, generally makes a
miskount, by not putting himself at
the head of the list.

Ram's Horn Blasts.

God never made anything too small
for his use.

The sin of a moment may blight the
whole life.

To give and grudge, is no better
than not to give at all.

The prompting motive of all cheer-
ful giving must be love.

Where there is no self-culture, there
is no knowledge of true life.

If a man has no friends, it generally
means that he deserves none.

Showing our best side to others, will
cause them to show their best side to
us.

The man who takes the Bible for
his guide, cannot live an aimless life.

To close our hearts against a broth-
er, is to shut heaven against ourselves.

We are sure to be bound in the
devil's ropes, if we fail to break his
threads.

The only giving that is real giving,
is giving that is done according to
ability.

No sin is so little that it may not
become the soul's master.

A poor man with a sunny spirit will
get more out of life than a wealthy
gambler.

Love is dead when the husband be-
gins to grudge the money it takes to
support his wife.

In everything, from praying in pub-
lic to getting a tooth pulled, self wants
to obtain a little distinction for itself.

After It's Over.

Here is one of the effects of the late
election, arranged by some comic
opera composer:

Says Bryan to McKinley:
"I carried all the West."

Says McKinley to Bryan:
"I think you did your best."

Says Bryan to McKinley:
"How did you win your laurels?"

Says McKinley: "I had a Hanna
And several large barrels."

Beware Of

People who speak disrespectfully of
ministers and irreverently of God and
religion.